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SUBJECT: UN BUDGET

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1. NEITHER UK NOR JAPANESE MISSION IN GENEVA HAS RECEIVED REPORT FROM THEIR NEW YORK MISSION CONCERNING BIG GIVE MEETING MENTIONED REFTEL. UK DCM EXPRESSED NO SURPRISE AT REPORT OF NEW YORK MEETING, BUT NOTED THAT THEIR REPRESENTATIVE AT GG-CL, MAXEY, HAD REACTED FAVORABLY TO FRENCH PROPOSAL. MOREOVER, HE HAS SENT REPORT OF MEETING AND OF FRENCH PROPOSAL TO OTHER AGENCIES IN LONDON AND TO OTHER FOREIGN SERVICE POSTS.

2. JAPANESE CONSELOR TOOK INITIATIVE TO REVIEW GENEVA GROUP CL MEETING WITH US, AND TO PICK OUR BRAINS SPECIFICALLY ON HOW WE MIGHT PROCEED ON FRENCH PROPOSAL. (JAPANESE HAD OBJECTED IN MEETING TO ANY LENGTHY DELAY IN GETTING ON WITH FURTHER GENEVA GROUP CONSULTATIONS ON THIS). HE REACTED WITH SURPRISE

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TO OUR REPORT OF NEGATIVE REACTIONS RECEIVED FROM

MISSIONS IN NEW YORK, AND WAS ESPECIALLY SURPRISED TO HEAR JAPANESE REP WAS AMONG THOSE EXPRESSING STRONGEST DISAPPROVAL OF HOLDING GENEVA GROUP MEETING IN NEW YORK IN OCTOBER INASMUCH AS OKAWA (UN BUREAU HEAD AND JAPANESE REPRESENTATIVE AT GENEVA GROUP CL MEETING) WAS HIGHLY IN FAVOR OF BOTH PURSUING FRENCH IDEAS AND HOLDING OCTOBER MEETING AND WAS, MOREOVER, IN NEW YORK AT TIME OF JULY 2 "WESTERN BIG FIVE" MEETING.

3. DURING INFORMAL LUNCHEON CONVERSATIONS, RUSSIAN DCM III INFORMED US THAT FERNAND-LAURENT, FRENCH AMBASSADOR, HAD INFORMED RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR OF FRENCH PROPOSAL. RUSSIANS CONSIDER THIS INTERESTING PROPOSAL AND EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO JOIN WITH OTHER MAJOR COUNTRIES IN ATTEMPTING TO IMPOSE BUDGET LIMITATION ON UN AGENCIES. WE NOTED RUSSIAN SUGGESTION BUT OBSERVED THAT FRENCH PLAN REQUIRED FURTHER STUDY AND THAT US HAD NOT REACHED ANY POSITION ON PROPOSAL. WE AGREED TO REMAIN IN TOUCH. DALE

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